

BLUE RIBBON PANEL

Walton Building
300 S. Providence, Community Room
Columbia, MO

September 29, 2003

10:30 a.m.

Minutes of Meeting

Meeting Notice

The Blue Ribbon Panel appointed by the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission (MHTC) met on Monday, September 29, 2003, in the Community Room of the Walton Building, 300 S. Providence, Columbia, MO.

The meeting agenda, showing the date, time, and location of the meeting, was posted in keeping with Section 610.020 of the 2000 Revised Statutes of Missouri, as amended.

Attendance

Members present for regular meeting:

Dr. Jack Magruder, Chairman
Ray Beck
Tom Irwin – via telephone conference.
Freeman McCullah
John Mehner – via telephone conference.
Karen Messerli
Joe Ortwerth
Steve Roberts - via telephone conference.
Larry Stobbs
Morris Westfall

Members absent:

Emanuel Cleaver
Jim Henson

Summary of Meeting

Call to Order – Approval of Minutes

Dr. Jack Magruder, Chairman, called the meeting to order. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes of the June 18, 2003, meeting were approved as submitted.

Vote to close meeting.

Legal actions or attorney-client privileged communications. Sec. 610.021(1) RSMo

Records protected from disclosure by law. Sec. 610.021(14) and Sec. 610.010 (6)

The following vote was taken regarding closing the meeting to further discuss whether deliberations of the group should be held in closed session.

Dr. Jack Magruder, Chairman – “Aye”

Ray Beck – “Aye”

Tom Irwin – “Aye”

Freeman McCullah – “Aye”

John Mehner – “Aye”

Karen Messerli – “Aye”

Joe Ortwerth – “Aye”

Steve Roberts – “Aye”

Larry Stobbs – “Aye”

Morris Westfall – “Aye”

The panel talked with counsel about the possibility of holding the meeting in closed session. After discussion in closed session, the panel, by consensus, agreed to discuss the draft report in open session. The panel recessed for one hour to allow the local news media to be advised that the panel’s discussions would be held in open session. The panel then returned to open session at 12:30 p.m. to conduct the remainder of its business.

Mr. Irwin was unable to participate in the afternoon portion of the open meeting.

Draft Outline for Report to Commission

The panel members discussed a draft outline for possible recommendations to the Commission. In keeping with the suggestions made during the meeting, Chairman Magruder will prepare a final document to be considered by the panel at a meeting to be held at 12 Noon on Tuesday, October 7, 2003.

The panel will meet with the Highways and Transportation Commission at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 7, 2003, to formally present its report.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.